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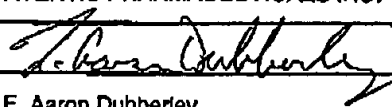
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This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action issued August 10, 2004 for the above-identified application. Entry of the amendment and reconsideration of all pending claims are respectfully requested. The undersigned attorney believes that no fees are due for this Amendment, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees necessitated by this amendment to Deposit Account No. 18-1982.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.****Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.**